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**In re Application of:**

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**Serial No.:** 09/944,506

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**For:** TECHNIQUE FOR FORMING  
SHALLOW TRENCH ISOLATION  
STRUCTURE WITHOUT CORNER  
EXPOSURE AND RESULTING  
STRUCTURE

**Examiner:** Unknown

**Group Art Unit:** 2823

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Prior to examination of the above-referenced patent application on the merits, entry of the amendments as set forth herein is respectfully solicited.